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U.S. Labor Department's MSHA Seeking Mine Inspectors in Pennsylvania *Jobs located in Wilkes-Barre, Pottsville and Shamokin*

ARLINGTON, Va.—The U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is continuing its efforts to hire new mine inspectors by conducting on-site applicant screenings in Pennsylvania at the Indiana County Technology Center, 441 Hamill Rd., Indiana, Pa., on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Registration for all candidates begins at 7 a.m.

"MSHA is looking for dedicated professionals who are willing to help our agency keep U.S. mines safe by preventing accidental injuries and fatalities," said David G. Dye, acting administrator for mine safety and health. "We're looking for qualified people who can help us continue to make safety a top priority for the mining industry."

MSHA is the federal agency charged with inspection of mining operations nationwide for adherence to regulations designed to protect the safety and health of miners. The agency is recruiting mine inspectors for general and electrical positions for MSHA locations in Wilkes-Barre, Pottsville and Shamokin, Pa.

Those unable to pre-register for the screenings may be tested and screened as a "walk-in" candidate, subject to space availability. All persons attending the screening should bring a completed resume and photo identification. Check the MSHA Web site at www.msha.gov to confirm the status of the screenings before traveling to the site.

Applicants will be notified of test results. Selected candidates will participate in a two-year formal training program. Applicants must be able to efficiently perform arduous duties. Selected applicants at the GS-9 level will receive a starting salary of about \$42,000 annually. For additional information, please visit the Inspector Career Trainee Program Web site at www.msha.gov/Inspectors/InspectorsInternProgram.asp.

The address for applicant screenings is Indiana County Technology Center, 441 Hamill Rd., Indiana, Pa. 15701

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